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**SUBJECT**

Food Situation: Probable Non-fulfillment  
of Grain, Milk, and Vegetable Oil Procurement  
Purchase Plan in 1953

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1. The 1953 grain production plan will fall short of fulfillment by 800,000 tons. Present growth of winter wheat and barley is considered to be good; winter rye is considered to be in poor condition, especially in the former Land Brandenburg. No estimate of summer grain crops has been possible.
2. In the light of the impending non-fulfillment of the grain production quota, the following revised procurement and purchase figures of grain are to apply:

### 1953 Procurement Plan

Total grain in tons 2,550,000  
(included in this figure are 40,000 tons  
of seed grain to be returned to agri-  
cultural producers)

### 1953 Purchase Plan

Total grain in tons	100,000
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3. Total acreage devoted to oil-bearing crops is approximately 174,000 hectares. Total average yield has previously been reckoned to be 12 hundred-weight per hectare, although this obviously excessive figure will not be reached. A revised quota, albeit a maximum quota not sure of being realized, for vegetable oil is as follows:

### 1953 Procurement Plan

Total vegetable oil in tons	120.000
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### 1953 Purchase Plan

Total vegetable oil in tons	30,000
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4. The 1953 first quarter production of milk per cow was 477 kilograms. This is a decrease of 78 kilograms from the first quarter production in 1952. The 1953 milk procurement plan, however, was set at 2.6 million tons, an increase of 400,000 tons over the previous year. The 1953 milk purchase plan was set at 780,000 tons.
5. During 1952, two million tons of milk were actually procured, 200,000 tons short of plan. Under most favorable production conditions, 1953 actual procurement will not exceed 2.2 million tons. The 1953 milk purchase plan was set at 780,000 tons; the maximum amount realizable will lie between 500,000 and 600,000 tons.